



## United States Patent and Trademark Office



M.H.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS Washington, D.C. 20231 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO.	FI	ILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/940,757	08/28/2001		Yi Wei	CR00-046	5781
23330	7590	03/20/2003			
MOTORO	-		EXAMINER		
3102 NORT	CORPORATE LAW DEPARTMENT - #56-238 3102 NORTH 56TH STREET PHOENIX, AZ 85018			TRINH, MINH N	
PHOENIX,				ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
				3729	
				DATE MAILED: 03/20/2003	

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

•		· had						
	Application No.	Applicant(s)						
	09/940,757	WEI ET AL.						
Office Action Summary	Examiner	Art Unit						
	Minh Trinh	3729						
The MAILING DATE of this communication app Period for Reply	ears on the cover sheet with the	e correspondence address						
A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.  - Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.13 after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.  - If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period of Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute - Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).  Status	36(a). In no event, however, may a reply be within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) of will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from cause the application to become ABANDO	timely filed days will be considered timely. om the mailing date of this communication. NED (35 U.S.C. § 133).						
1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 20 c	<u>lanuary 2003</u> .							
2a) ☐ This action is <b>FINAL</b> . 2b) ☐ Th	is action is non-final.							
3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.								
Disposition of Claims  4) Claim(s) 1.20 is/are pending in the application								
<ul> <li>4) ☐ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.</li> <li>4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.</li> </ul>								
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.	Wit from consideration.							
6) Claim(s) is/are rejected.								
7) Claim(s) is/are objected to.								
8) Claim(s) 1-20 are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.								
Application Papers	<b>,</b>							
9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examine	r.							
10)☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a)☐ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.								
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).								
11)☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on is: a)☐ approved b)☐ disapproved by the Examiner.								
If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.								
12)☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.								
Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120								
13) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).								
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:								
1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.								
2. Certified copies of the priority document	s have been received in Applic	ation No						
<ul> <li>3. Copies of the certified copies of the prior</li> <li>application from the International Bu</li> <li>* See the attached detailed Office action for a list</li> </ul>	reau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).	-						
14) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domesti	c priority under 35 U.S.C. § 11	9(e) (to a provisional application).						
a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received. 15) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121.								
Attachment(s)		,						
1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s)	5) Notice of Inform	ary (PTO-413) Paper No(s) al Patent Application (PTO-152)						

## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Election/Restrictions

- 1. This application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:
- <u>Species</u> **1A** drawn to an embodiment, (readable on Fig. 1, and the discussion in page 3 lines 20 –25).
  - **1B** drawn to an alternative embodiment, (readable on Fig. 4, and the discussion in page 10, lines 6-13).
- 2. <u>Applicants are required</u> under 35 U.S.C. 121 <u>to elect a single disclosed species</u> <u>for prosecution on the merits</u> to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, there are no generic claims.

Applicant is advised that a reply to this requirement must include an identification of the species that is elected consonant with this requirement, <u>and a listing of all claims</u> <u>readable thereon</u>, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that all claims are generic is considered nonresponsive unless accompanied by an election.

Upon the allowance of a generic claim, applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141. If claims

Art Unit: 3729

are added after the election, applicant must indicate which are readable upon the elected species. MPEP § 809.02(a).

Should applicants traverse on the ground that the species are not patentably distinct, applicant should submit evidence or identify such evidence now of record showing the species to be obvious variants or clearly admit on the record that this is the case. In either instance, if the examiner finds one of the inventions unpatentable over the prior art, the evidence or admission may be used in a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) of the other invention.

3. A telephone call was made to William E. Koch on 3/14/2003 to request an oral election to the above restriction requirement, but did not result in an election being made.

Applicants are advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

4. Applicant is reminded that upon the cancellation of claims to a non-elected invention, the inventorship must be amended in compliance with 37 CFR 1.48(b) if one or more of the currently named inventors is no longer an inventor of at least one claim remaining in the application. Any amendment of inventorship must be accompanied by a request under 37 CFR 1.48(b) and by the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(i).

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Minh Trinh whose telephone number is (703) 305-2887. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday -Thursday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Peter Vo can be reached on (703) 308-1789. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703) 305-7307 for regular communications and (703) 305-3579 for After Final communications.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-1148.

M. Trinh

Patent Examiner Group 3729

mt March 15, 2003